

## Appendix 15 Open Green spaces – users survey.

The areas that have been identified as leisure and recreation areas are: -

- The playing field and playground at the rear of Clutton Village Hall
- The playground in Burchells Close
- The allotments at the rear of Station Road.
- Clutton Football Club, on the A37, behind the Warwick Arms.
- The Leisure area, Station Approach, off Station Road.

Each of these areas is important to the village and well used.

Clutton Football Club was founded in 1890 and has a rich and varied history. It is not certain when the club moved to Warwick Field, but games have been played there since 1945. Clutton F.C. has recently purchased the ground. Currently the club runs two adult male teams – the first plays in the Somerset County League and the reserves in the Mid-Somerset League. Facilities at the club include: -

- A well appointed full size football pitch
- A grass training area (70M X 25M approx) which is used for junior training, on Saturday mornings, at present.
- Separate changing and showering facilities for each team and also referees.
- A licensed club house with bar and catering facilities.
- Car parking

The leisure area is reached via Station Approach, off Station Road. The access is a rough track which has been re-surfaced with chippings twice over the last fifteen years. There are grassed areas, one which is mowed by the Parish Council regularly. There are two buildings on the leisure area

The Cabin is the first building on the right, below the level of the track. It can be reached by a slope or concrete steps which are in need of repair.

The Cabin is used by two groups: -

Youth Club (who own the building)

The youth club is open to children aged 8 to 14 on Friday evenings between 18.30 and 20.30. This is run by volunteers. There are usually 40 children at each session and 4 adult volunteers.

Playgroup

Day	Times used	No. of users
Monday	8.45 – 12.30	15
Tuesday	8.45 – 16.15	26
Wednesday	8.45 – 16.15	24
Thursday	8.45 – 12.30	13
Friday	8.45 – 12.30	18

The children come from 29 different families and are cared for by 4 staff at each session. In addition to these regular term-time sessions the Cabin is used for fund raising events such as strawberry teas and an annual art exhibition.

#### Play scheme

During the summer holidays there was a play scheme which catered for 50 children for three days each week.

The Cabin is a timber framed building which was erected in 1978 when it was obtained second hand. It is in need of constant maintenance and refurbishment. It is difficult to maintain the temperature needed for pre-school children and heating is a major expense.

The Scout Hut is furthest along the track, on the left, and is used every week

Group	Age group	No. of users	Day used
Beavers	5 - 7	20	Tuesday
Cubs	8 - 10	20	Wednesday
Scouts	11 - 14	25	Wednesday
Explorer Scouts	14 - 18	25	Friday

There are also adult leaders and helpers at all these groups.

The Scout Hut was erected in 1968 and is in very poor condition.

The Leisure area is also used by many dog walkers as it is a level, dry walk.

This area is also safeguarded to be a Sustrans cycle route.